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Abstract

The present invention relates to new salts of omeprazole and esomeprazole respectively, i.e. salts of 5-methoxy-2-[[[(4-methoxy-3,5-dimethyl-2-pyridinyl)-methyl]sulfinyl]-1*H*-benzimidazole and the (*S*)-enantiomer thereof. More specifically, the present invention relates to alkylammonium salts of the compounds, formed by a reaction of omeprazole and esomeprazole respectively and an alkylamine with formula  $NR_1R_2R_3$ , wherein  $R_1$  is a linear, branched, or cyclic  $C_1$ - $C_{12}$ -alkyl group, and  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  are hydrogen. The present invention also relates to a process for preparing crystalline salts, a pharmaceutical preparation, and a method for treatment of gastric related disorders by administering the compound of the invention.